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**MARYSVILLE MAN SENTENCED TO
OVER THREE YEARS IMPRISONMENT FOR
SENDING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY OVER INTERNET**

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney John K. Vincent announced today that Marc Christopher Turner, 27, of Marysville, was sentenced today by United States District Judge Garland E. Burrell, Jr. to 46 months imprisonment. The defendant pleaded guilty before Judge Burrell on June 8, 2001 to two counts of distribution of child pornography.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Camil A. Skipper, who prosecuted the case, when Turner pleaded guilty he admitted that on August 25, 2000, and again on September 6, 2000, he sent E-mail messages to the adult female victim, the texts of which graphically described sexual contact with a young girl. The second E-mail message specifically referenced the victim's then four-year-old daughter by name. Turner admitted sending four image files containing child pornography attached to the August 25 E-mail and sending one image file, named after the victim's daughter, attached to the September 6 E-mail. Turner also agreed to forfeit his computer to the government.

This case is the product of a joint investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Task Force.

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